

- Pre-registering for our programs ensures you a seat and that we will have enough materials for everyone.
- Some programs involve outdoor activities; please dress for the weather.
- Our programs are always educational and adults and children alike are invited to attend each program.
- Schildren <u>must</u> be accompanied by an adult.
- Inclement weather may cancel some programs. Please call ahead for updates.
- If you would like to be on our yearly mailing list, call, e-mail, or just stop by.



The naturalist is available during the week for school or organizational group programs. Please call at least one week in advance to schedule a program with the naturalist.

Junior Naturalist Patch Program

Any park visitor from the age of seven years and up may participate in this program. See the park naturalist for your card and instructions on how to begin. To complete the program you must accomplish the following requirements:



- 1. Devote two hours of service to Dobbs Park.
- 2. Complete a nature project.
- Attend three naturalist-led programs.
- 4. Identify ten items found in nature.
- Observe an animal or plant for 10-15 minutes and be able to answer questions about it.

For more information, contact the naturalist.

Park Rules and Regulations This is your park—please take care of it!

All visitors should observe the following rules designed to fulfill the purpose for which the park was intended, and to preserve it in its natural state for the enjoyment of future generations of visitors.

- 1. Do not injure or damage any structure, tree, flower, or wild animal within the park.
- 2. Pets <u>must</u> be kept on a leash at all times while in the park.
- 3. Absolutely no vehicles, horses, motorcycles, bicycles, etc. will be allowed on trails.
- 4. Fires should be built only in grills provided for that purpose.
- 5. Trash and recyclables should be placed in their appropriate containers.
- 6. All firearms, BB guns, paintball guns, bows and arrows, etc. are banned from the park.
- 7. Vending or advertising is prohibited without permission of the Parks Department.
- 8. No animal or plant may be removed from the park. This includes mushrooms and berries. Exception: Fish of legal size/quantity caught with a valid fishing license.
- 9. Do not feed animals, including ducks & geese.
- Protect wildlife and avoid poison ivy by staying on designated trails. Pets should also remain on the trails.

Thank you for visiting Dobbs Park!

Terre Haute Parks & Recreation Department Dobbs Memorial Park Nature Center

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Saturday Programs 2011 Dobbs Park Nature Center



Nature Center Hours
Tuesday - Saturday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Closed Sundays, Mondays and all Holidays



Backyard Wildlife Habitat January 8th - 9:00 am FREE

Help put out the feeders & extra food for the birds & other wildlife. Then learn some easy ways you can help the wildlife in your backyard.

Birding with Wabash Valley Audubon Society January 22nd - 10:00 am FREE

Join a member of the WVAS at the Nature Center. Contact the Nature Center or Marty Jones at 317–696–6246 or indth33@yahoo.com for more information.



Awesome 'Possums February 12th - 10:30 am Pre-registration Required \$1.50 Craft Fee

The opossum is North America's only marsupial. Find out what that means and other fun facts about a creature who is very misunderstood. Make a felt pouch to take home.

Birding with WVAS February 26th - 10:00 am FREE

See January 22nd.



Hovering Jewels - The Hummingbird March 12th - 10:30 am Pre-registration Required \$1.50 Craft Fee

The hummingbird will be back next month. Discover what you can do to attract them to your yard and make a hummingbird feeder to take with you.

Birding with WVAS March 26th - 10:00 am FREE

See January 22nd.

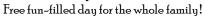


Walk Through The Wildflowers April 9th - 10:30 am Pre-registration Required \$1.00 Craft Fee

Depending on weather and the growing season, we will take a hike to see the beautiful spring flowers in bloom. Learn to identify some of them.

Please dress for muddy conditions.

Earth Day Celebration April 16th - 11:00 am - 2:00 pm White Violet Center for Eco-Justice at St. Mary-of-the-Woods





Birding with WVAS April 30th - 10:00 am FREE

See January 22nd.



Can You See Me?
May 14th - 10:30 am
Pre-registration Required
\$2.00 Craft Fee

Find out how some animals use camouflage to survive. Make a camouflage tie-dyed t-shirt.

Bring a plain, white, cotton t-shirt.

Birding with WVAS May 21st - 10:00 am FREE

See January 22nd.



30th Annual Kids' Fishing Rodeo June 11th - 9:00 am - 11:00 am Free event! Fun! Prizes! Freebies!

Pre-registration is suggested.

Registration is from 8 am to 10 am. Competition categories are ages 5–7, 8–11, — & 12–15, & fish–for–fun for ages 2–4.

Participants receive a free hot dog and soda. For complete rules, contact the Nature Center.

Birding with WVAS June 25th - 10:00 am FREE

See January 22nd.



Birding with WVAS
July 23rd - 10:00 am FREE
See January 22nd.

An Afternoon with the Butterflies July 30th - 1:00 pm Pre-registration Required \$2.00 Craft Fee

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Join the naturalist in the Butterfly Garden & Prairie to explore the beautiful world of butterflies. Make a wooden butterfly craft. Meet at the Nature Center.

Wabash Valley Audubor Society

Birding with WVAS
August 13th - 10:00 am FREE
See January 22nd.

5th Annual ISU Bat Festival August 27th

10:00 am - 5:00 pm at ISU Evening programs at Dobbs Park

Free event for all ages!

For more information, contact the Nature Center or call ISU Bat Center at 812-237-2383.



Birding with WVAS September 17th - 10:00 am FREE

See January 22nd.

Tricky, Sticky Trappers September 24th - 10:30 am Pre-registration Required. \$1.00 Craft Fee

Join Joe Dickson, Audubon member and spider enthusiast as he discusses the habits of our local spiders.

Make a spider web craft to take with you.



Picture Perfect Nature October 8th - 10:30 am Pre-registration Required \$1.50 Craft Fee

Learn some basic picture taking techniques, then go out and apply what you have learned. We will then come back and critique your pictures. Make a frame to put your photo in. Bring your digital camera.

Birding with WVAS October 22nd - 10:00 am FREE

See January 22nd.



Birding with WVAS November 12th - 10:00 am FREE

See January 22nd.

History of Dobbs Park November 19th - 10:30 am Pre-registration Required \$1.50 Craft Fee

Help us celebrate the Nature Center's 35th Anniversary.

Delve into the history of the park. Make a journal to help keep track of your own memories.



Outstanding Owls December 10th - 10:30 am Pre-registration Required \$1,50 Fee

Indiana's owls are some of the best hunters.

Learn about these elusive but beautiful animals,
and paint a ceramic owl to take home.

Birding with WVAS December 17th - 10:00 am FREE

See January 22nd.

